

IN THE CLAIMS

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39. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A terrestrial repeater, comprising:

a repeater receiver, disposed in one of a plurality of local broadcast regions within a national broadcast region, the repeater receiver for receiving a signal transmitted by a satellite including national media programs intended for reception in the national broadcast region and regional media programs;

a processor for filtering the signal to pass only the regional media programs intended for reception in the one of the plurality of local broadcast regions;

a repeater transmitter, communicatively coupled to the repeater receiver, for transmitting the passed regional media programs intended for reception in the one of the plurality of local broadcast regions.

40. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The terrestrial repeater of claim 39, wherein the repeater transmitter further transmits national media programs to receivers disposed in the local broadcast region.

41. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The terrestrial repeater of claim 39, wherein the processor further stores and repeats regional media programs.

42. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The terrestrial repeater of claim 39, wherein the processor further stores and retransmits regional program guide information at a repetition rate.

43. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The terrestrial repeater of claim 42, wherein:
the signal comprises media programs intended for reception in a second local broadcast region; and

the repetition rate of the regional media programs is selected to utilize a repeater transmission capacity that would otherwise have been used to transmit the regional media programs intended for reception in the second local broadcast region.

44. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The terrestrial repeater of claim 39, wherein: the processor filters the signal to pass only the regional media programs intended for reception in the one of the plurality of local broadcast regions by performing the steps of: scanning metadata of the signal for local broadcast identifiers; and comparing the local broadcast identifiers with the local broadcast identifier of the repeater.

45. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A terrestrial repeater, comprising:
a repeater receiver, disposed in one of a plurality of local broadcast regions within a national broadcast region, the repeater receiver for receiving a signal including national media programs intended for reception in the national broadcast region and regional media programs;
a processor, communicatively coupled to the repeater receiver, for filtering the regional media programs to pass regional media programs intended for reception in the one of a plurality of local broadcast regions from the regional media programs by comparing identifiers included in the signal against a local broadcast identifier of the terrestrial repeater; and
a repeater transmitter, communicatively coupled to the repeater receiver and the processor, for transmitting the filtered regional media programs to receivers disposed in the local broadcast region.

46. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The terrestrial repeater of claim 45, wherein the repeater transmitter further transmits the local broadcast identifier to receivers disposed in the local broadcast region.

47. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A terrestrial repeater, comprising:
a repeater receiver, disposed in one of a plurality of local broadcast regions within a national broadcast region, the repeater receiver for receiving a signal including national media programs intended for reception in the national broadcast region, and regional media programs; and

a repeater transmitter, communicatively coupled to the repeater receiver, for transmitting only regional media programs intended for reception in the local broadcast region.

48. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The terrestrial repeater of claim 47, wherein the repeater transmitter further transmits national media programs to receivers disposed in the local broadcast region.

49. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The terrestrial repeater of claim 47, further comprising a processor for storing and repeating regional media programs.

50. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The terrestrial repeater of claim 49, wherein the processor further stores and retransmits regional program guide information at a repetition rate.

51. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The terrestrial repeater of claim 50, wherein:
the signal comprises media programs intended for reception in a second local broadcast region; and
the repetition rate of the regional media programs is selected to utilize a repeater transmission capacity that would otherwise have been used to transmit the regional media programs intended for reception in the second local broadcast region.

52. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A system for integrating presentation of national media programs and regional media programs transmitted by regional media providers, comprising:
a satellite transmitter, for transmitting a first signal including a plurality of national media programs and regional media programs; and
a terrestrial repeater, disposed in one of a plurality of local broadcast regions within a national broadcast region, the terrestrial repeater for receiving the first signal and transmitting a second signal having the plurality of national media programs and only the regional media programs intended for reception in the local broadcast region.

53. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The system of claim 52, wherein the first signal further comprises electronic program guide (EPG) information, and wherein the system further comprises a receiver having an EPG data module for generating an integrated EPG having the national media programs and only the regional media programs intended for reception in the determined broadcast region.

54. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The system of claim 52, further comprising:
a receiver, disposed in the local broadcast region, the receiver comprising:
a tuner module for receiving the second signal from the terrestrial repeater,
a location module, for determining the local broadcast region.

55. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The system of claim 54, wherein the location module comprises:
a global positioning system (GPS) receiver, for providing receiver position information; and
a memory, for storing information relating receiver position information to the local broadcast region.

56. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The system of claim 54, wherein the location module comprises:
a radio broadcast data system (RDBS) compliant tuner for receiving information indicating the local broadcast information.

57. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The system of claim 52, wherein the terrestrial repeater stores and retransmits the regional media programs at a repetition rate.

58. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The system of claim 52, wherein:
the signal broadcast from a satellite comprises regional media programs intended for reception in a second local broadcast region; and

the repetition rate of the regional media programs is selected to utilize a terrestrial repeater transmission capacity that would otherwise have been used to transmit the regional media programs intended for reception in the second local broadcast region.